

# **New Jersey Brownfields** Redevelopment Task Force

**Department of Community Affairs** 

# **New Jersey Brownfields** Redevelopment and Inventory Assistance Bringing New Jersey's Brownfields Back to Life



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## "Site Mart"



Brownfields...what are they?

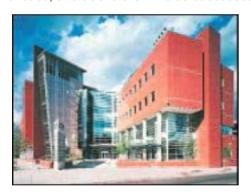
## What We Have For YOU!

Any former or current commercial or industrial site, currently vacant or underutilized and on which there has been, or there is suspected to have been, a discharge of a contaminant.

Source: Brownfield and Contaminated Site Remediation Act, N.J.S.A. 58:10B-1 et seq.

The NJ Brownfields "Site Mart" is an interactive database that contains an inventory of brownfields properties throughout New Jersey. The "Site Mart" is designed to make it easier for developers to locate and build on land in cities and towns, while preserving the state's dwindling inventory of open space.

Redeveloping brownfields returns possibly contaminated former commercial or industrial properties to productive use through remediation. The database also serves as a powerful planning tool for public entities, and tracks brownfields successes.



#### THE TOOLS

THE KNOWLEDGE
THE PROGRAMS



- To automatically receive:
  - E-mails with important brownfields updates
  - Newly added brownfields properties on the "Site Mart"
  - Reminders to check your calendar for events and meetings that will affect your properties
- To help make your property economically viable again

## Search For Properties

By county, municipality and/or property size

#### Add or Nominate

To have your properties posted on "Site Mart"

#### Edit and Update

To edit and update your own information

## Why List YOUR Site?

State & Local Incentives: Liability Relief: Streamlined Process: A Better Bottom Line

- It is a FREE multiple listing service.
- Millions of potential buyers will be able to view your property.
- Listing will bring State focus to your issues and problems.
- Listing may make State programs become available to you.
- Listing helps you become part of "The Solution."
- You may become eligible for financial incentives to redevelop your property, such as:
  - HMFA housing tax credits
  - Brownfields Remediation Reimbursement Program
  - Hazardous Discharge Site Remediation Fund
  - Revenue Allocation District (RAD) Financing

- Smart Growth Predevelopment Financing
- Loan and Guarantee Programs
- Attract interest in redeveloping your site.
- Develop your property as quickly as possible.

## **New Jersey Brownfields Redevelopment Task Force**

## Task Force Mission

Established in 1998, under the Brownfield and Contaminated Site Remediation Act. N.J.S.A. 58:10B-23 under section 5. the New Jersev **Brownfields Redevelopment Task** Force:

- Coordinates state policy on brownfields redevelopment and makes recommendations on brownfields policy to the Governor and Legislature
- Inventories brownfields properties
- Prioritizes and markets properties to developers
- Promotes brownfields redevelopment to implement Smart Growth strategies
- Returns properties to productive use on an expedited basis



## **Task Force Members**

#### **Public Members**

Commercial or Residential Development Dennis M. Toft, Esq., Chairperson Wolff & Samson

Environmental Organization Sally H. Dudley, Vice Chairperson ANJEC

Neighborhood or Community Redevelopment Leah C. Healey, Esq. Chair, Policy & Legislative Committee Maraziti, Falcon & Healey

Regional Planning George P. Kelly, PE/PP Chair, Data & Management Committee Langan Engineering & Environmental. Svcs.

Financial Community Yuki Moore-Laurenti US Trust Company of NY

Labor or Trade Organization William T. Mullen Iron Workers Local #11

#### **State Agency Representatives**

Office of Smart Growth Department of Community Affairs Frances E. Hoffman, PhD/MSP Secretary

Department of Agriculture Erin Simone

Department of Transportation **TBD** 

Commerce & Economic Growth & Tourism Commission James D. Simmons

NJ Economic Development Authority Rose M. Smith

NJ Redevelopment Authority Lauri Sheppard

Department of Environmental Protection Kenneth Kloo

Site Remediation Program

The thirteen-member Task Force consists of seven representatives from State agencies and six public members. The six public members are appointed by the Governor with the advice and consent of the Senate. The Chair of the Task Force is selected by the Governor.

Counsel to the NJ Brownfields Redevelopment Task Force Daniel P. Reynolds, Esq.

## What is Smart Growth?

Smart Growth is the term used to describe well planned, well managed growth that adds new homes and creates new jobs, while preserving open space, farmland, and environmental resources. Smart Growth encourages



mixed-use development, walkable town centers and neighborhoods. mass transit accessibility. sustainable economic and social development and preserved green space that enhances the quality of life for residents in New Jersey.

## **Brownfields Redevelopment InterAgency Team (BRIT)**

#### **BRIT Mission**

Guided by New Jersey's Smart Growth policies and practices, BRIT's mission is to streamline and coordinate the brownfields redevelopment process for interested parties.

BRIT is a brownfields resource group comprised of more than twenty state agencies and programs. Redevelopment projects get individually reviewed by BRIT in an informal, problem-solving atmosphere.

Incentives are bundled and tailored to each unique project. Brownfields programs and practices are improved upon through this partnering process. This can shave years off a project.

BRIT also serves as the state partner with the NJ brownfields Redevelopment Task Force on brownfields policy issues.

## **BRIT Highlights & Accomplishments**

#### Review and Support of Brownfields Projects

- 64+ Brownfields Redevelopment Projects, through September, 2005, throughout the state reviewed by full BRIT membership
- 85+ additional projects assisted by DCA's Office of Smart Growth and BRIT sub-groups

#### Creation of New Jersey Brownfields Redevelopment Resource Kit

The "Resource Kit" is the first integrated compilation of state resources for brownfields redevelopment. The document is popular with all brownfields redevelopment interest groups, providing a useful reference for state support from initial planning stages through project design, clean-up and construction, and reimbursement.

#### **Outreach to Brownfields Stakeholders**

BRIT members participate in seminars, workshops, and organizational meetings throughout the state as part of the outreach and information gathering efforts of the NJ Brownfields Redevelopment Task Force.

Board of Public Utilities Department of Agriculture Department of Community Affairs

- Council on Affordable Housing
- NJ Housing & Mortgage Finance Agency
- Office of Smart Growth

#### Department of Education

Department of Environmental Protection

- Bureau of Contract and Fund Management
- Bureau of Sustainable Communities and Innovative Technologies
- Historic Preservation Office
- Office of Green Acres
- Office of Brownfield Reuse
- One Stop Permit Coordination

Department of Health & Senior Services
Department of Labor

Department of Transportation

Department of Treasury

NJ Commerce and Economic Growth Tourism Commission

NJ Economic Development Authority

- Brownfields Redevelopment Office
- NJ Schools Construction Corporation

NJ Environmental Infrastructure Trust NJ Redevelopment Authority

NJ Transit

## **BRIT Member Agencies**



## **County - Municipality Academic Partnerships**



## **Partnerships**

New Jersey counties and municipalities work together with local college and university students to develop brownfields inventories and promote brownfields redevelopment by incorporating that information into the New Jersey Brownfields "Site Mart".

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Seton Hall University, City of Irvington, with NJDCA, NJRA, and NJ Commerce & Economic Growth & Tourism Commission

## **Projects With Real Impact**



#### Rider University and the City of Trenton:

"The internship provided the City of Trenton the opportunity to update and expand the information on "Site Mart", and also to conduct some important historical research for our work on a database of former gasoline stations in the City. We have already followed up on several contacts made through "Site Mart", with individuals and/or companies looking to redevelop brownfields sites in the City."

J.R. Capasso, CPG

Brownfields Coordinator City of Trenton, New Jersey

## A Meaningful Experience

Students can be involved in projects that will have a real impact on the current brownfields redevelopment initiatives in our local New Jersey communities. Their efforts will significantly contribute to the preservation of the state's dwindling inventory of open space. The remediation of possibly contaminated former commercial or industrial properties to economically viable and productive areas will improve the tax base and the quality of life in our municipalities.

The NJ Brownfields "County-Municipality Academic partnership" provides a meaningful experience for students. They apply their particular intellectual interests as they become familiar with the processes and functioning of government on the federal, state, and local levels.

Students gain valuable experience in fields such as Biology, Sociology, Urban Ecology, Political Science, Planning, and others.

The project possibilities are limitless. The University can develop a project that meets the needs of its curriculum. For example, Seton Hall University established an academic partnership with the Township of Irvington in which a biology professor developed an urban ecology segment (a first for Seton

Hall University) for her senior biology class. The students used this as their community service project, receiving training from state brownfields personnel.

In the City of Trenton, one Rider University student conducted an independent study for his Sociology professor in which he compiled an inventory of brownfields properties for the City of Trenton.

The information that the Seton Hall and Rider University students gathered can be seen online at the NJ "Site Mart" at

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